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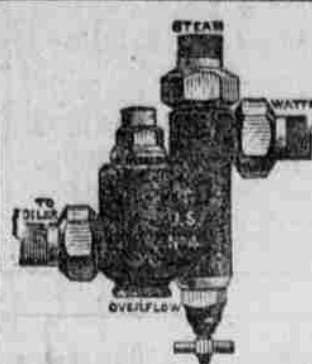
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LONDON MARKET REVIEW.
An Improvement Depends Upon South
African Peace.

London, May 4.—After the strong demand
for money on the close of the month,
the market eased decidedly with the release
of May dividends, but the rates are likely
to remain steady for some time, especially
in view of the report that Bulgaria has
arranged to float a loan of 100,000,000 francs
in Paris at 5 per cent, which will curtail
the gold supplies in that quarter. There
was very little business on the stock ex-
change here during the past week. The
public and the professional traders are all
eagerly awaiting definite peace news from
South Africa. If the news received is fa-
vorable, it will be the certain signal for a
sharp rise in all sections of the market.
There were some large movements in Amer-
ican shares during the last week, but the
general tone of the session of the market
was weak. Operators distrust an ultra-
motive behind the continued rise in Lou-
ville and Nashville and few sales of this
stock were recorded. There was some busi-
ness in Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul,
and Denver, Illinois, but other Ameri-
can securities were dull and finished the week
flat. In the industrial department there is
a large assortment of new stock issues
which the promoters are anxious to float
on the announcement of peace in South
Africa, but until this time there will be
little activity in industrial.

Home rails were fairly steady during the
week while mines were stagnant.

T. P. A.
Texas delegation and friends will
leave Houston, 11:55 p. m., Wednes-
day, May 28, on the famous
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POWER OF REBATE

Why the Packers Can Undersell Local
Butchers Easy to Understand.

RAILROAD CONNECTION

With the Trust Will Probably Be Laid
Bare by the Investigation.

A NEW COMBINE IS PROPOSED.

Chicago Trust Company Advises the
Retail Butchers to Organize

AND FIGHT THE "BIG SIX" TRUST.

Laborers Have Been Laid Off at the
Stock Yards and Others Are to Fol-
low Them This Week.

(Special to The Post.)
Chicago, May 4.—More to an illustration
of the power of rebate Chicago packers
are enabled to bring cattle from the
ranges of Colorado to Chicago, slaughter
them, and then ship them back to Den-
ver and sell the dressed meat cheaper
than local butchers are able to sell similar
products.

The connection of the railroads with the
beef trust is expected to play a more im-
portant part in the evidence in the case
than was anticipated. The rebate feature
is expected to be laid bare in all its de-
tails, and show the charge that the packers
having car lines of their own have been
allowed to transport their killing stock
when empty free of charge. The prosecu-
tion will attempt to show that the con-
cessions to the packers were made only to
the "big six" firms and denied to all others.
The Chicago Security and Trust com-
pany, having New York and St. Louis
offices, has sent out a circular letter to all
retail butchers of the country, saying that
it has been approached with the proposi-
tion to unite all the retail butchers' trade
of the United States in an independent
packing and provision company. The idea
is to fight the trust. It is proposed to make
it a stock company, with a capital of \$500,000,
to be held by the butchers of the country.
Cold storage warehouses are to be
established in all the principal cities,
and the company will do a general pack-
ing and provision business.

It is thought that 20,000 butchers will
go into the scheme. Each one will put up
\$250, which will enable the company to
establish the company to that it can
protect its members. It is thought that
10 per cent dividends can be declared.
Instead of the usual Saturday run of
2000 cattle, the receipts at the stock yards
yesterday were scarcely 200. The meat buy-
ers are alarmed by the packers and crushing
live stock commission men.

A representative of the Cattle Growers' as-
sociation said today: "The stockmen
cannot feel friendly to the packers. Had
there been some reciprocity in the fight on
the eleventh hour bill things would be dif-
ferent now. But we are going to let the
packers take care of their own troubles.
The same as they did with us. If the stock
men have any sense they will not ship any
cattle for a week, and it will be found that
the packers will come around and quit
bitching."

Three thousand more employees have been
laid off by the "Big Six." It is anticipated
that the stock yards will be a graveyard
this week.

THE SENATE FORECAST

REPUBLICAN MEMBERS WILL MON-
OPOLIZE THE PRESENT WEEK

In a Defense of the Policy of the Gov-
ernment in the Philippines.

Washington, May 4.—Republican senators
this week will relieve the democrats of
the necessity of supplying all the speakers
in the senate on the Philippine govern-
ment bill. Tomorrow Senator Lodge, chairman
of the committee on the Philippines, will
open with a set speech in support of the
administration's Philippine policy, with in-
cidental reference to Major Gardner's re-
port and other special phases of the Phil-
ippine question. Other republican senators
who will speak are Messrs. Foraker, Burton,
McCombs and Clark.

Due resolution providing for the recall of
Major Gardner lost its position of ad-
vantage Saturday and is now on the calen-
dar, but the chances are that it will be re-
vised and that it will receive further at-
tention.

THE HOUSE PROGRAM.

Statehood for Oklahoma, New Mexico
and Arizona.

Washington, May 4.—The omnibus bill for
the admission of Oklahoma, New Mexico
and Arizona to statehood will be called up
on Tuesday in the house. The friends of
the bill do not desire protracted debate on
it and will try to secure a vote on that
day. There is considerable opposition to
the bill on the republican side of the house
on the ground that the Territories are not
yet fitted for statehood, but the friends of
the bill entertain no doubt of its passage.
The democrats in caucus agreed to give it
their united support and at least sixty re-
publican votes are counted on. After the
statehood bill is disposed of, war claims
will be given attention, and then the naval
appropriations bill will be taken up.

Three important measures of general leg-
islation—the bill financial bill, terminating
the tenure of office of the Ray anti-trust
act, and the bill extending the immigration
laws—are to be taken up whenever opportunity
occurs, the committee having declared
Saturday that these measures should have
early attention.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF GALVESTON, May 4.
Arrived.
Es Niceto (Spain), Havana.
None.
Sailed.
None.

ANXIETY IN HOLLAND IS RENEWED.

Queen Wilhelmina in Critical Condition, but Has
a Chance for Recovery.

The Hague, May 4.—It was announced from Castele Loo at midnight last night
that Queen Wilhelmina had been prematurely confined at 6 o'clock Sunday eve-
ning. Prof. Rosenfeld, Dr. Roessing and other doctors were in attendance. The
queen suffered intense agony. At 11 o'clock Sunday evening the condition of
her majesty was described as critical and small hope for her recovery was en-
tertained.

POTTER PALMER IS DEAD GREAT HONOR ACCORDED

NOTED CHICAGO MILLIONAIRE DIED
SUDDENLY ON SUNDAY.

He Reaped a Rich Harvest Just After the
Civil War and Died Worth Many
Millions.

Chicago, May 4.—Potter Palmer, for nearly
half a century one of Chicago's most
prominent business men, died this evening
at his residence on Lake Shore drive.
The exact cause of Mr. Palmer's death has not
yet been determined. He had been suffer-
ing for several weeks from a nervous dis-
order, but as he was able to be about the
house his condition was not thought to be
serious. When he retired last night he
was feeling, if anything, better than for
several days. During the night, however,
he seemed to lose his energy, and this morn-
ing was unable to leave his room. He gradu-
ally grew worse during the day and at
5:45 this evening he suffered a sudden col-
lapse, from which he expired.

The physicians who were attending Mr.
Palmer are at a loss as to the direct cause
of his death. Apparently he had no or-
ganic troubles. Mrs. Palmer and their two
sons, Honore and Potter, Jr., were with
Mr. Palmer when he died, and all proba-
bly he will be buried in Chicago, where he
accumulated his fortune.

Potter Palmer was born in 1826 in Pot-
ter's Hollow, Albany county, New York.
He received a common school education and
at the age of eighteen engaged as clerk in
a store in Durham, N. Y. He remained in
this position three years. When he be-
came of age he opened a store of his own
at Onondaga, N. Y., and conducted it for two
years. He afterward spent one year at
Lockport, N. Y., and then removed to Chi-
cago, where he established a dry goods firm.
This firm was afterwards called Palmer and
Letter. The other members were Marshall
Field and Levi Z. Letter and the firm was
succeeded by that of Marshall Field &
Co. The sharp advance in prices of
goods after the beginning of the civil war
found them prepared with a large stock and
it reaped enormous gains from every ad-
vance.

Mr. Palmer retired from mercantile
life in 1865, and so liberal had been his
policy in meeting public requirements dur-
ing the war, that the government was in-
debted to him to the extent of three quar-
ters of a million of dollars. After disposing
of his dry goods interests Mr. Palmer in-
vested largely in Chicago real estate and
began the erection of business buildings.
When the fire came in 1871 he owned
thirty-two structures on State street, every
one of which was destroyed. His losses
were very heavy but his faith in Chicago
was unshaken, and he borrowed enough
money to enable him to reconstruct the
buildings that had been destroyed. He had
already begun the erection of the Palmer
house hotel, and as soon as possible after
the fire the work on building was resumed.
It was completed at a cost of \$2,000,000,
the result being the handsomest and most
substantial hotel in the country at that
time. His real estate holdings continued to
increase in value until today his fortune
is estimated at \$10,000,000. Mr. Palmer
was married in 1871 to Miss Bertha M.
Honor, daughter of H. H. Honor, a Chi-
cago capitalist at that day. In politics Mr.
Palmer was a democrat.

CLUB WOMEN AT LOS ANGELES.

They Spent Sunday Seeking Recreation
in Various Forms.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 4.—The club
women spent today seeking recreation in
various forms.

There was a decided change in the polit-
ical situation today. The ardent admirers
of Mrs. Decker have gathered their forces,
and notwithstanding that Mrs. Decker re-
iterates every hour in the day that she is
not a candidate and that Mrs. Denison
should be elected, have arranged that when
Mrs. Decker appears on the program Tues-
day she shall be given a rousing start to
ward the presidential chair.

As long as Mrs. Denison is in the field
Mrs. Decker positively will not run, and
when Mrs. Denison was asked this after-
noon if she would withdraw in favor of the
Cuban woman she said: "No, for it
would be fair to my friends, and the
sort of woman who has not obtained
herself in the race, but having been urged
by my friends I cannot withdraw."

The attitude of the house of directors to-
ward the negro question, though supposed
to be strictly secret, has become known.
They have decided not to take the negro
question from the table, and if it comes
before the convention it will be as an in-
dependent motion. This attitude has in-
duced Georgia to be still more aggressive,
and this morning the Southern States held
caucuses and decided to stand shoulder to
shoulder in their determination not to
countenance negro clubs.

The color question may be precipitated
at the business session tomorrow morning.
There were enough delegates sufficiently
possessed of the Sunday spirit to attend
a few meetings arranged for them in the
afternoon and evening.

FREIGHT DEPOT AT BEAUMONT.

Freight of the Value of Sixty Thousand
Dollars Was Destroyed.

Beaumont, Texas, May 5.—Fire destroyed
the old Southern Pacific freight depot and
shed at 1 o'clock this morning, including
the agent's office. All records were burned,
as well as freight amounting to about \$60,
000 in value.

Texans in New York.

(Special to The Post.)
New York, May 4.—The following Texans
are registered in New York:
Houston—Josiah H. Jones, H. Brown and
wife, Normande.
Galveston—W. L. Moody and wife, Nor-
mande.

Beaumont—J. N. Speed, Marlborough.
Orange—Nathan Vendome.
Fort Worth—Miss Greenwell, Cadillac.
Dallas—J. E. Johnson, Gileay; W. T.
Tippen, Broadway Central.

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One of the Few Old Guardsmen Who Are
Still in Harness.

HANNA PRESENT AT THE CONFERENCE

At Which It is Generally Believed the
Postmaster General Was Selected
to Conduct Campaign.

(Special to The Post.)

New York, May 4.—A special from Wash-
ington says: The recent breakfast confer-
ence at Senator Hanna's house, at which
the president, Postmaster General Payne
and Senator Hanna were present, continued
to be discussed by the politicians of both
parties. The general opinion among lead-
ing republicans is that Henry C. Payne will
succeed Senator Hanna as chairman of the
republican national committee. Payne is un-
doubtedly the working politician of the
Roosevelt combination. He is shrewd,
active and not averse to taking his chances
in the political game. He is one of the
few of the old guard that made the repub-
lican national committee so famous a dozen
years ago who has survived the whirlwind of
time and is still doing business at the old
stand. Payson is practically out of politics.
Goodwin is dead; Senators Quay and
Platt are discredited, on account of physical
condition, to take the active part in polit-
ics they formerly did; Dingley is practically
retiring from politics, and Clark has been out
of politics for some time. Payne, however,
is today as deep in the game as ever.
The death of William McKinley, de-
cidedly the most general at London, re-
moved another veteran from the field of
politics. This man really was himself out
by his labor to bring about the nomination
of McKinley in 1890.

THE FOREIGN CLOTH MARKET

Was Quiet Owing to the Movements
of Cotton at Liverpool.

Manchester, May 4.—The cloth market
was generally quiet during the past week,
owing to the movements of cotton at Liver-
pool and New York, all operators found
business very difficult. There was a fall
in the Indian market. In the few instances
where the prospects for wool seasons met
the buyers, business with Indian and Can-
ada was excellent. There was much grum-
bling, however, distribution declining to
pay the advance asked. There was little
activity through the other eastern outlets.
The continued fall in the price of silver
caused a serious deduction in the trade of
all countries using silver, and owing to the
difference of exchange in favor of Spain,
the South American business is being more
or less diverted to Barcelona.

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Jackson, Miss., And Return May 12 and 13	18.55
Springfield, Mo., And Return May 12 and 13	20.55
St. Paul, Minn., And Return May 17 and 18	35.45
Winston-Salem, N. C., And Return May 19 and 20	35.40
Charleston, S. C., And Return May 6, 13 and 20	35.25

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